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The House met at 2 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker.

### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer: God of Heaven and Earth, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

We ask Your blessing upon the Members of the people's House. Imbue them with wisdom, inspire them to act with justice, and empower them to work toward legislative solutions to the many challenges facing our Nation.

Bless all the people of our Nation during these days of Senate deliberation. While this action draws much attention nationally, may the work of our citizens' hands issue forth in the betterment of their own lives and the strength and vitality of their local communities.

And may all that is done this day be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House her approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. GONZALEZ) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. GONZALEZ of Ohio led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### HONORING LIANE DOUGHERTY

(Mr. ROSE of New York asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. ROSE of New York. Madam Speaker, I rise today to pay respect and honor to my great teacher, Liane Dougherty. Mrs. Dougherty passed away on December 5, 2019. She taught me in history class more than 20 years ago at Poly Prep, where she was a mentor. She is survived by her husband, Francis, and her children, Max and Sophie.

Her students recall—myself included—that, each and every day, she would approach the classroom with grace, compassion, incredible wisdom and intellect. I can say without a doubt, I would not be a Congressman today without Mrs. Dougherty.

There is only one person in all of America being honored on the floor of the United States House of Representatives today, and that is Liane Dougherty. She is deserving of that, the best teacher I could ever ask for.

Madam Speaker, may she rest in peace. We will always honor her incredible legacy.

### CELEBRATING NATIONAL SCHOOL CHOICE WEEK

(Ms. FOXX of North Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. FOXX of North Carolina. Madam Speaker, since 2011, National School Choice Week has been recognized as the largest annual celebration of opportunity and education in the world.

In North Carolina, over 2,313 school choice events are scheduled for this week, including events in my district at the Quality Education Academy High School in Winston-Salem and at the DT Early Learning Center in Wilkesboro.

Unfortunately, the media continues to conjure up misleading claims about

school choice, and it is time we corrected the record. School choice is not about picking winners and losers; it is about letting families choose the educational options that meet the unique needs of their children.

A high-quality education is an indispensable tool, and America's children deserve nothing less than an education that empowers them to reach their greatest potential.

### HONORING GLENN SMITH

(Mr. GONZALEZ of Ohio asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. GONZALEZ of Ohio. Madam Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life of U.S. Navy veteran Glenn Smith, a Stark County World War II veteran who passed away last week at the age of 95.

Glenn was a Navy Seabee and served our country from August 1943 to July 1945. He was born in Indiana County, Pennsylvania, where his father was a coal miner for over 50 years.

In a story familiar to many in the heartland, Glenn made it through the Great Depression by scrapping steel for extra money. He would grow up to be part of the greatest generation to ever live, the generation that freed the world from tyranny.

Glenn was drafted into the Navy at age 19 and shipped out alongside 7,600 other men to Honolulu on Christmas Eve 1943. Glenn would go on to serve in the Pacific theater and, at the end of the war, was flown from Saipan to Pearl Harbor, where he took the USS *Constellation* home.

My office had the honor of presenting Glenn, in October of last year, with his military service medals earned during World War II. Glenn received the World War II Victory Medal and Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal.

Madam Speaker, today we remember Glenn's life and service and thank him

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